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WDC and Sonoma Cellar Event

On July 8, 2015, while attending a workshop presented by the Alexandria Small Business Development Center (SBDC), Evelyn Quiles had the opportunity to network with Elizabeth Myllenbeck, owner of Sonoma Cellar - a new family-owned, wine-tasting room, bistro and gift shop located in Old Town Alexandria. It is the first wine-tasting room in Alexandria and a new concept in dining in this area. Evelyn informed Elizabeth of the business services offered by WDC and Elizabeth told her about Sonoma Cellar and its business needs, as a start-up company.

A week later Evelyn developed a hiring plan to fill Host, Tasting Room Associate, Server, Busser/Runner, Dishwasher and Cook positions. Within two-weeks, the WDC hosted the first of three pre-screening and Hiring Events. Of 28 individuals who were pre-screened, 24 were interviewed and 16 were offered full-time positions. Fourteen of those, accepted and began work on August 8, 2015.

Sonoma Cellar celebrated a "pre-opening" event on August 11, 2015, where Evelyn Quiles and Kourtney Harris attended on behalf of the WDC. Sonoma Cellar opened their doors with a "soft opening" on August 22, 2015 with plans to host a ribbon-cutting ceremony on September 16, 2015.



Evelyn Quiles, Business Service Specialist at WDC, Elizabeth Myllenbeck, Owner of Sonoma Cellar, and Kourtney Harris, Assistant Director of WDC

When asked about the services received, Elizabeth Myllenbeck said: "The Alexandria Workforce Development Center was a key to our success in finding and helping to hire our outstanding team. Because of WDC, we have a wonderfully diverse workforce who is hard working, capable and significant contributors to our venture. We are extremely proud of them, and what they bring to Sonoma Cellar. We couldn't have done this without the WDC!"

Hiring Events

The Vitamin Shoppe

Thursday, Sept. 24, at 10:00 a.m.

1900 N. Beauregard Street, Suite 300, Alexandria, VA 22311

[Click here for more information.](#)



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Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA)

Tuesday, Sept. 29, from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

1900 N. Beauregard Street, Suite 300, Alexandria, VA 22311

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Career Readiness Workshops

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Orientation to the Workforce Development Programs & Services	9/21, 9/28
Mouse & Keyboard Skills	9/22
Ace the Interview	9/22
Basic Resume Writing	9/30
Mock Interview	9/23
Employment Strategies for Experienced Worker 50+	9/24
Career Search Tools	9/29

Training Opportunity



The Workforce Development Center and Together We Bake are offering a Culinary Arts Program:

To set up an appointment contact:

Lenwood Roberts at lenwood.roberts@alexandriava.gov
or 703.746.5884 or Octavius Fulton at
octavius.fulton@alexandriava.gov or 703.746.5857.

Click [here](#) for eligibility requirements.

The Workforce Development Center and Alexandria City Public School Adult Learning Center Training Programs:

Electric/Utility Groundsman Test Preparation. Click [here](#) for program information and requirements.

Medical Program Training. Click [here](#) for program information and requirements.



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Volunteers Needed



WDC Career Center Volunteers - Looking for a way to volunteer and share your teaching and training skills? Become a volunteer with the City of Alexandria Workforce Development Center Career Center! Click [here](#) for more details.

Experienced eNews Writers - We are seeking experienced writers to research and write articles on employment and businesses, on youth and adult employment topics, business trends in the D.C., MD and VA area, and would be willing to interview and write an article on job seekers or businesses that have utilized WDC services. Click [here](#) for more details.

Job Interview Tips

[Avoid These 3 Resume Mistakes](#) - Glassdoor.com

[What to research before a job interview](#) -

CareerBuilder.com

[Is it OK to Contact a Company After Applying for a](#)



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